## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: NEUHOLD et al.  | ) | Group Art Unit: 1632         |
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| Application No.: 09/717,450   | ) | Examiner: Wilson, Michael C. |
| Filed: November 20, 2000  | ) | Confirmation No.: 5417       |
| For: TRANSGENIC ANIMAL MODEL<br>FOR DEGENERATIVE DISEASES<br>OF CARTILAGE               | ) | Customer No. 45743           |
|   | ) | July 18, 2007                |
| Mail Stop RCE<br>Commissioner for Patents<br>P.O. Box 1450<br>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 |   |                              |

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

The present application has been allowed, however the Issue Fee has not yet been paid. A Request for Continued Examination and the requisite fee therefor is being filed concurrently herewith.

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith a copy of Form PTO-1449, which lists a reference not previously of record. A copy of the listed reference is also enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered. Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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